

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant and Sole Inventor: William S. Lerner

Title: **A METHOD OF WARNING INDIVIDUALS ABOUT
HOT SURFACES ON STOVES INCLUDING COOKTOPS**

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled A METHOD OF WARNING INDIVIDUALS ABOUT HOT SURFACES ON STOVES INCLUDING COOKTOPS, the specification of which is attached hereto. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, CFR, Section 1.56(a).

I claim priority of the following previously filed and presently pending U.S. patent applications: US application no. 09/788,594 filed Feb. 21, 2001, US application no. 10/446,919 filed May 28, 2003, US application no. 10/447,510 filed May 28, 2003 and US application no. 10/612,315 filed July 2, 2003. I am the Applicant for each one of them.

I hereby appoint the following attorney to prosecute the application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Steven Horowitz, Registration no. 31,768. Address all telephone calls to Steven Horowitz at (212) 867-6800. Address all correspondence to Steven Horowitz, Counselor At Law, 295 Madison Avenue, Suite 700, New York, New York 10017.

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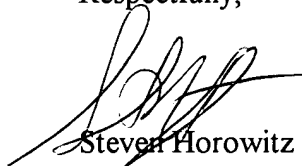
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Dear Sir:

The above-referenced accompanying application qualifies for treatment as a patent application filed by a small entity..

Respectfully,



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